

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 55  
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Hawaiian Affairs and Water and Land, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 55 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AHA MOKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO ENGAGE STAKEHOLDERS IN ORDER TO DEVELOP AND ADOPT RULES FOR ITS OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, with assistance from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Office of Hawaiian Affairs, to engage stakeholders for the purpose of developing and adopting rules for its operation and administration.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, Aha Moku O Kaupo, Hookipa Network Kauai, and four individuals. Your Committees received testimony in opposition to this measure from two individuals. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Your Committees find that the Aha Moku Advisory Committee has been operating without rules and regulations. There have been occasions where the Aha Moku Advisory Committee has been unable to take administrative action due to the lack of governing rules and regulations. Your Committees received testimony on behalf of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee confirming that while there is uncertainty as to the Committee's authority to adopt administrative rules, it is agreed that some guiding rules or



policies are necessary in order for the Aha Moku Advisory Committee to succeed.

Your Committees have amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs as an entity from which the Aha Moku Advisory Committee should seek assistance in developing and adopting rules; and
- (2) Requiring that the report to the Legislature include proposed administrative rules; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Hawaiian Affairs and Water and Land that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 55, as amended herein, and recommend its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 55, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Hawaiian Affairs  
and Water and Land,



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LAURA H. THIELEN, Chair



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MAILE S.L. SHIMABUKURO, Chair



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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SCR 55</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">HNN / WTL</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">03.23.15</div>		
<div><input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____</div>				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"><div><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div></div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
THIELEN, Laura H. (C)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood (VC)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	7			
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted</div></div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; text-align: center;">J</div>				
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